:010 15.608 Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance

:030 FEDERAL AGENCY: FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

:040 AUTHORIZATION: Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act of 1958, 16 U.S.C. 661-666; Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 742a-742j; Sikes Act of 1974, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 670(a)-670(o); Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 3101; Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, Public Law 92-522, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1361-1421; Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 4701-4741; Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act as amended 1998.

:050 OBJECTIVES: To provide technical information, advice, and assistance to other Federal agencies, other nations, States, and Native Americans on the conservation and management of fish and wildlife resources, including co-management by Alaskan Natives of marine mammals for subsistence use.

:060 TYPES OF ASSISTANCE: Provision of Specialized Services.

:070 USES AND USE RESTRICTIONS: Assistance in the form of biological, chemical, and physical advice regarding land and water management and specific recommendations and plans based on the conditions found to exist. Stocking of fishes from National Fish Hatcheries and advising on wildlife management techniques may be management tools considered. The program does not provide financial assistance for construction of ponds, lakes, wood duck boxes, or for other purposes.

:080 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

:081 Applicant Eligibility: State agencies, Native Americans and Federal agencies are eligible to request assistance on a cost recoverable basis.

:082 Beneficiary Eligibility: State agencies, Native Americans and Federal agencies are eligible to request assistance on a cost recoverable basis.

:083 Credentials/Documentation: There must be factual evidence of the need for management assistance.

:090 APPLICATION AND AWARD PROCESS:

:091 Preapplication Coordination: None. This program is excluded from

coverage under E.O. 12372.

- :092 Application Procedure: Generally in the form of a letter to the Regional Directors of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (see Catalog address Appendix IV) stating the need for management assistance and requesting the services available.
- :093 Award Procedure: After considering program commitments and obligations, State, Federal agencies, or Native Americans will generally be informed by letter from the Director or Regional Director, followed by development of a formal Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) or understanding (MOU).
- :094 Deadlines: None.
- :095 Range of Approval/Disapproval Time: None, but as expeditiously as possible.
- :096 Appeals: No procedure for appeals.
- :097 Renewals: A formal agreement is entered into with the cooperating entity, usually no time limit.

:100 ASSISTANCE CONSIDERATIONS:

- :101 Formula and Matching Requirements: Not applicable, however, assistance is provided only on a cost recoverable basis.
- :102 Length and Time Phasing of Assistance: Not applicable.

:110 POST ASSISTANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- :111 Reports: Reports are submitted annually to the entities involved. Occasionally, progress reports are considered to be advisable. Fish and Wildlife Management Plans are developed as required.
- :112 Audits: In accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular No. A-133 (Revised, June 24, 1997), "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," nonfederal entities that receive financial assistance of \$300,000 or more in Federal awards will have a single or a program-specific audit conducted for that year. Nonfederal entities that expend less than \$300,000 a year in Federal awards are exempt from Federal audit requirements for that year, except as noted in Circular No. A-133

- :113 Records: Records must be maintained for 3 years following the submission of request for final reimbursement.
- :120 FINANCIAL INFORMATION:
- :121 Account Identification: 14-1611-0-1-303.
- :122 Obligations: (Assistance to Native Americans and Federal Landowners) FY 01 \$900,000; FY 02 est \$575,000; FY 03 est \$75,000
- :123 Range and Average of Financial Assistance: Not applicable.
- :130 PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Fish and Wildlife Service provides technical assistance to more than 100 Native American Tribes, 254 National Wildlife Refuges, and 150 Department of Defense installations. Cooperative programs with the State conservation agencies and military installations have included joint studies of fishery and wildlife problems of major watersheds, large reservoirs, or streams. Through the Sikes Act, the Service has established a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Defense whereby fish and wildlife values are considered on military installations. The Service developed a policy in cooperation with Native Americans for fish and wildlife management on/off Tribal lands.
- :140 REGULATIONS, GUIDELINES, AND LITERATURE: Annual Project Reports, Special Reports, and Fish and Wildlife Management Plans.
- :150 INFORMATION CONTACTS:
- :151 Regional or Local Office: See Catalog Appendix IV for addresses.
- :152 Headquarters Office: Chief, Division of Fish and Wildlife
 Management and Habitat Restoration, Room 840 ARLSQ, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
 Department of the Interior, Washington, DC 20240. Telephone: (703) 358-1718. Use the same
 number for FTS.
- :153 Web Site Address: HTTP://fisheries.fws.gov.
- :160 RELATED PROGRAMS: 15.605, Sport Fish Restoration; 15.611, Wildlife Restoration; 15.618, Administrative Grants for Federal Aid in Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration.
- :170 EXAMPLES OF FUNDED PROJECTS: Not applicable.
- :180 CRITERIA FOR SELECTING PROPOSALS: Not applicable.

:320 APPLICANTS: 1012;1412;1452;2212;2252

:330 BENEFICIARIES: 10;14;15;20;36;58

:340 FUNCTIONS: CO;QO;QQ

:350 CIRCULARS:

:500 PUBLIC LAWS: *92*522

:510 STATUTES: *48*401;*701119

:520 U.S. CODES: *16**661***666;*16**742; *16**670;*16*3101**1407;*16*4701**4741

:530 MATCHING REQTS:

:540 GRANTS: NA;NA;NA

:550 LOANS: NA;NA;NA

:560 OTHER: 275;1298;900

:570 DEADLINE DATE:

:600 SUBJECT TERMS:

Fish and wildlife
fish conservation
hatcheries
fisheries management
refuges
wildlife conservation, management
Indian economic, business development
management, technical assistance
training
Indian health, social services
recreational activities
Indian land